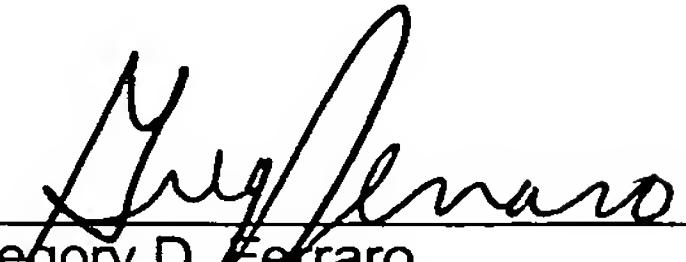


Remarks

Claims 1 – 28 were in the case. Claims 23 – 28 are being cancelled.

In view of the above, an early Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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